

# Moscow City Council



## Regular Meeting ~Agenda~

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City Clerk

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**Monday, February 1, 2021**

**7:00 PM**

**Council Chambers  
206 E. Third St.**

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The Moscow Mayor, City Council and Staff welcome you to tonight's meeting. Due to the rise in COVID-19 cases in the area, the meeting is open to the public, but is subject to social distancing protocols and masks will be required of attendees. If you do not have a mask, a disposable mask will be provided. Per the modified Stage 2 of the Idaho Rebounds Plan, the number of attendees at any one time is limited to no more than 10. We appreciate and encourage public participation. For regular agenda items, an opportunity for public comment is sometimes provided after the staff report. However, the formality of procedures varies with the purpose and subject of the agenda item; therefore, the Mayor may exercise discretion in deciding when to allow public comment during the course of the proceedings and limitations may be placed on the time allowed for comments. During the modified Stage 2 of the Idaho Rebounds Plan, public comment and reports are suspended. Citizens wishing to comment on business on the agenda are encouraged to communicate with the Mayor and City Council by phone or email ([council@ci.moscow.id.us](mailto:council@ci.moscow.id.us)) in order to respect social distancing protocol. Please note that Moscow City Council meetings are televised, videotaped and/or recorded. Meetings are streamed on the City website, YouTube, Facebook and Spectrum Cable 1301. Thank you for your interest in City government.

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **REGULAR AGENDA**

**1. Approval of Moscow City Council January 19, 2021 Minutes (ACTION ITEM) - Laurie M. Hopkins**

Minutes presented for approval.

**PROPOSED ACTIONS:** Approve minutes as presented; approve minutes with amendments; or take such other action deemed appropriate.

**2. Renewal of Agreement for E911 Services and Complete Dispatch Services with Whitcom (ACTION ITEM) - Gary J. Riedner**

Since 2004, the City of Moscow has been contracting with Whitcom, the consolidated dispatch agency serving Whitman County, City of Pullman, Asotin County and the Nez Perce Tribe, for emergency dispatch, communications and E-911 services. The current agreement was renewed in 2016 and expired on December 31, 2020. For the past year, the Whitcom member entities have been discussing fee structures which would be equitable to all members. The new agreement contains a fee structure for the City of Moscow which is 21.25% of Whitcom's budget. The percentage takes into account in-kind services provided to Whitcom by Whitman County, City of Pullman and Washington State University. The new agreement is for two years (January

2021-December 31, 2022). Fees for the first year (2021) are \$607,213.25, and fees for the second year (2022) are \$712,911, which is the calculation of 21.25% of the Whitcom budget for each respective year. This was reviewed by the Public Works/Finance Committee on January 25, 2021 and recommended for approval.

**PROPOSED ACTIONS:** Approve the Agreement for E911 Services and Complete Dispatch Services with Whitcom from January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022, or take such other action deemed appropriate.

**3. Ordinance Amending Title 5 of Moscow City Code with the Addition of Chapter 19 (ACTION ITEM) - Kyle Steele / Tyler Palmer**

The City of Moscow was issued a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) Permit on August 5, 2019, which became effective on October 1, 2019. The MS4 Permit requires the City to develop and implement a comprehensive stormwater program. The City currently has few revenue sources and funding mechanisms to operate the existing stormwater program. Expenses for existing stormwater related activities are currently covered by general fund revenues. Due to increasing costs, increased maintenance and tracking requirements, and regulatory compliance responsibilities of the new MS4 Permit, securing the necessary additional funding and implementing the recommendations developed through the gap analysis process identified in the City of Moscow Stormwater User Fee Study is essential. The proposed amendment and adoption of Moscow City Code Title 5, by the addition of Chapter 19, would establish a system of stormwater user fees to fund and carry out a comprehensive stormwater management program. Stormwater user fees would be collected from customers within the entire incorporated area of the City proportionate to the cost of providing proprietary stormwater services. The money from stormwater user fees will be used to manage and operate the municipal stormwater control system in compliance with federal laws. The municipal stormwater control system exists to provide drainage services to properties within the City. This was reviewed by the Public Works/Finance Committee on January 25, 2021 and recommended for approval.

**PROPOSED ACTIONS:** Approve the Ordinance under suspension of the rules requiring three complete and separate readings and that it be read by title and published by summary; or consider the Ordinance on first reading and that it be read by title; or reject the Ordinance; or take such other action deemed appropriate.

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